Statement

Dengue Cases and Deaths

SI. No.	State	2002		2003		2004		2005	
		C	D	C	D	C	D	C	D
1	Andhra Pradesh	61	3	95	5	230	1	0	0
2	Bihar	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
3	Chandigarh	15	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
4	Delhi	45	2	2882	35	606	3	0	0
5	Goa	0	0	12	2	3	0	0	0
6	Gujarat	40	0	249	9	117	4	0	0
7	Haryana	3	0	95	4	25	0	0	0
8	Karnataka	428	1	1226	7	291	2	14	0
9	Kerala	219	2	3546	68	686	8	77	1
10	Maharashtra	370	18	772	45	656	22	0	0
11	Skkim	0	0	0	0	12	0	0	0
12	Punjab	27	2	848	13	52	0	0	0
13	Rajasthan	325	5	685	11	207	5	0	0
14	Tamil Nadu	392	0	1600	8	1027	0	0	
15	Uttar Pradesh	*9*	.0	738	8	8	0	0	Of
16	West Bengal	*0*	• 0	0	0	32	0	0	0
17	Pondicherry	0	0	6	0	0	0	0	0
18	D&N Haveli	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
	TOTAL	1926	33	12754	215	4153	45	1 91	1

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Dangerous VIOXX in Market again

4741. SHRI K. RAMA MOHANA RAO: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government have allowed to sell pain killer VIOXX again in the market;

(b) if so, the reasons for giving license for settling the banned drug again in the market;

(c) whether the issue has gone before the Food and Drug Administration Advisory Panel;

(d) if so, the recommendations made by the Drug Administration Advisory panel;

(e) whether it is also a fact that VIOXX causes cardiovascular risks;

(f) whether the Ministry is also allowing drugs Celebrex and Bextra, and

(g) if so, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRIMATI PANABAKA LAKSHMI): (a) No, Sir. The drug has been prohibited for market and sale in the country since December, 2004.

(b) to (d) Question does not arise.

(e) Reports had appeared that cardiovascular adverse effects were noticed with the long-term use of the drug.

(f) and (g) The drugs valdecoxib and Celecoxib, which are internationally marketed as Bextra and Celebrex respectively, are also approved for marketing in the country. However, on the recommendations of National Pharmacoyigilance Advisory Committee, the manufacturers of Celecoxib and valdecoxib in the country were directed to incorporate cautionary warning on the label of such drugs that these drugs should be used with caution in patients suffering from Coronary Heart Disease (CHD)/ Cardiovascular Disorder.

Improving PH Centres in the States

†4742. SHRI DARA SINGH CHAUHAN: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are having any scheme to improve the functioning and upgrade the primary health centres in the country specially in the rural areas of Uttar Pradesh, Bihar, Orissa, Chhattisgarh, Jharkhand and North-Eastern States;

(b) if so, the details of programmes and schemes formulated for this purpose and if not, the reasons therefor; and

(c) the scheme formulated by Government for allocation of funds in the current year for the above States in this purpose?

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†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.